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## TARIFF FOR AMERICANS

The enactment of a tariff law by congress is always attended by many difficulties, owing to conflicting views which have to be reconciled to secure agreement. The measure now pending is no exception to the rule. The bill has passed the house and awaits action by the senate. Meanwhile the American people as a whole are awaiting with the keenest interest the outcome of congressional deliberation.

Without going into the intricacies of the tariff schedules or considering the specific treatment best adapted to requirements of American industry, it is entirely in order to say there is one general rule that should be applied—a tariff passed by an American congress should be, primarily and indisputably, in the interest of Americans. Too often it has been conspicuously evident that the efforts of some "tariff reformers" at Washington and elsewhere have tended to serve as door-openers for foreign products coming into direct and harmful competition with those of domestic origin. The situation today is illustrative of the truth here cited. Notwithstanding restrictions imposed by the emergency tariff law, imports are pouring into the United States at a rate very discouraging to Americans engaged in industry. Many of these imports come into direct rivalry with products of local workers.

Congress is "wrestling" with the tariff question. Meanwhile let the American people give emphatic utterance to their demand that the tariff schedules shall be framed for their benefit, not for that of other countries. That is a sound principle, and other nations have adopted it. Great Britain, formerly held up as the model "free trade" realm, has adopted protective methods more drastic than any in force elsewhere. The government now collects import duties which average \$16.50 per capita. Canada takes in import duties of \$19.50 per capita. In the United States the import duties average \$3.15 per capita. Do not the figures furnish conclusive proof that, with all the talk about "high protection," a vast quantity of imports comes in either duty free or under such easy terms that the tariff "barrier" is practically no barrier at all?

Let the American who believes in "America first" look the facts squarely in the face. Let him take in the meaning of our foreign trade figures which show that we are uncommonly considerate of the rights of others but very "rasy" when it comes to dealing with foreign competitors who have no scruples about killing off American industries, if that process helps their business—and then let there be a concerted demand for action by Congress that will protect American interests from the assaults to which they are subjected from many directions. There is full warrant for such procedure. The Great Apostle believed that home interests were of first importance. He wrote to Timothy: "If any provide not for his own, and especially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel." Providing for one's own implies no injustice to others, and protection for Americans cannot be fairly interpreted as indicating hostility to non-Americans.

## WHAT EMMA WANTED

Emma Goldman says the iron hand of the communist state killed the new government of Russia. Of course. The revolutionists no sooner overthrew the iron rule of the czar than they set up an iron rule of their own. But it is our guess that Lenin and Trotsky had less iron in their rule than Emma would have put into it if she had been ruler. The strongest enemy of government is the severest governor when he gets the chance.

## GENOA GREEN GOODS

And still the internationalists declare that the world will go to ruin unless the United States sends delegates to participate in the conference in Genoa. They must certainly expect the United States to undertake some huge task as a result of the Genoa conference if our presence is to be of such great effect. What would they have us do in addition to the proposed contribution of eleven billion dollars to the restoration of Europe?

Why wait until tomorrow to read the happenings of today. The Bonanza always publishes the news in advance, both local and telegraph.

## THE CASH BONUS

With respect to the alleged disaffection on the part of ex-service men generally over the delay in passing a bonus measure, it is questionable whether or not their dissatisfaction is a widespread as political propaganda would have the public believe. The public will remember that \$500,000,000 is being appropriated annually to care for disabled veterans, and that the government will leave no stone unturned in its efforts to alleviate the distress of those unfortunate who have been handicapped by disabilities resulting from service. Appropriations will be increased, to whatever extent necessary, to properly care for the disabled, says Mining Congress Journal.

As to the bonus, the viewpoint of many ex-service men is expressed in the following quotation from a veteran who is not in any way interested in the political side of the issue:

"I served overseas from 1917 to 1919 in the advance zone of the armies as an enlisted volunteer from the state of Kansas, and I venture the opinion that able-bodied men, like myself, are more concerned about the men who were disabled or contracted disease through fighting and exposure in the trenches than they are about a cash bonus to those who came through unscathed. Many of them better off physically than when they went in. The administration has been entrusted by the electorate with the job of putting through constructive legislation that will not disturb or retard the return of business and industrial stability, and which will insure steady employment for the former soldier, a condition far more vital to his welfare than the temporary relief which a cash bonus might afford."

The mining industry wishes to bear its share of the tax needed to adequately provide for the disabled, and will look with disfavor upon any attempt to shirk the responsibility resting upon the country to make such provision; but, without taking a position one way or the other regarding the feasibility of a bonus, the mining industry looks forward to the restoration of conditions which will enable the mines to operate at full capacity in order to provide continuous employment for men who want to work, and an unnecessary increase in the tax burden, which would postpone the return of normal conditions and intensify business and industrial depression can not be justified by any process of reasoning.

## HELP WANTED

In one of the far western states a state court is trying a man for loaning his citizenship papers during the war to help another man get out of the country, and also for writing letters expressing his hope that the United States would be whipped. Here's a chance for our general amnesty friends to get busy.

## GOMPERS' LITTLE LIST

Mr. Gompers says that he is about to compile a list of the foes of labor. It will be a mighty short list, if drawn according to that schedule. But probably Mr. Gompers has in mind a list of foes of radical labor leadership. If so, he will need a good many reams of paper.

This seems to have been an open season on women who were desirous of becoming members of the board of education for the various school districts. In no instance, with the exception of Goldfield, where no opposition manifested itself, was a woman candidate elected, and numerous sharp contests were waged in many of the cities and towns of the state. Reno, Lovelock, Sparks and Tonopah showed conclusively that they wanted business men to look after the interests of the growing generation, and in the forenamed towns the women candidates were overwhelmingly defeated.

Those European allies who are holding back the interest on the billions of dollars they borrowed from the United States treasury during the world war seem to forget that the country is paying interest on all of it through its Liberty Loans. The American people took the money from their pockets in the war time.

A morning paper rehearses what the evening paper produces, and generally prints the same news. Read the Bonanza which is 12 hours ahead of its competitor.

## Dog Kept Busy Gathering Eggs



## APRIL STORMY IS PREDICTION FATHER RICARD

Following is the prediction or weather forecast for April, issued by Father Ricard of the university of Santa Clara, California, dated from April 6, and will no doubt be of interest to the readers of this paper. Father Ricard comes nearer predicting storms than any other observer, although a number of people try to carry away the honors by following his predictions:

April 6, 7—Fair under a prevalence of high pressure, becoming disturbed on the 7th.

April 8, 9, 10—A chance for rain along the coast, including southern California. On the very same dates, rising barometers will make it fitful and fresh with scattered showers in places.

April 11, 12, 13—Fair, but becoming cloudy early on the 13th.

April 13, 14—A disturber of decided character to land over British Columbia and, finding the coast open, take liberties down our way and away down south. Some rain, strong winds and snow.

April 15—Starting to clear. Clearing days are usually very unpleasant, call for the snudge pot and generate disease.

April 16—Generally fair from high north to low south.

April 17, 18—Bad weather, high and lows in conflict. Guard against severe winds.

April 19—Somewhat stormy yet.

April 20, 21—Fair in California.

April 22—Getting cloudy and threatening; rough storm stepping

over the northwestern coast. Guard against ugly winds near the coast.

April 23—Cloudy and possibly scattered showers over much of the coast.

April 24—Cloudy and unsafe.

April 25—A minor depression adding itself to the preceding one and making bad weather over the general northwest, but greatly opposed by rising barometers on the California side.

April 26—Approximating to fair throughout California.

April 27, 28—Generally fair over the coast.

April 29—Becoming cloudy by afternoon or night.

April 30—Rain along western Washington and Oregon and overcast in those parts.

May 1—Clear or clearing and then fine up to May 4th.

ATTORNEY HOWE IS CITED FOR CONTEMPT

(By Associated Press) SACRAMENTO, April 6.—Attorney S. Luke Howe, of Sacramento, was cited for contempt today, and three men charged with conspiracy in connection with the theft of bonds from a mail car here last year were sentenced to McNeil Island prison by Federal Judge Van Fleet. John Haanstra and A. H. Cain were given 18 months, and W. S. Hooper, 15 months. Haanstra was fined \$5000 and the others \$3000 each.

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